

# *The Lord's Day, December 3, 2017*

MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Second Sunday in Advent

## *Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church*

**Preparation for Worship**

**Advent Candle of Peace**

*“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called*

*Wonderful Counselor,  
Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace.*

*Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.”  
~ Isaiah 9:6-7*

**Pastor's Welcome and Announcements**

*Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.*

**Prelude**

*“Joy Has Dawned”* (1)

Joy has dawned upon the world, promised from creation.  
God's salvation now unfurled, hope for ev'ry nation.  
Not with fanfares from above, not with scenes of glory;  
But a humble gift of love ~ Jesus born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder fill the sky with the songs of angels,  
As the Mighty Prince of Life shelters in a stable.  
Hands that set each star in place, shaped the earth in darkness,  
Cling now to a mother's breast, vuln'erable and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb, gazing at the glory;  
Gifts of men from distant lands prophesy the story.  
Gold ~ a King is born today. Incense ~ God is with us.  
Myrrh ~ His death will make a way and by His blood He'll win us.

Son of Adam, Son of Heav'n, given as a ransom;  
Reconciling God and man, Christ, our mighty champion!  
What a Savior! What a Friend! What a glorious myst'ry!  
Once a babe in Bethlehem, now the Lord of hist'ry.

**Prayer of Invocation and Praise**

**\*Call to Worship**

Luke 2:13-14

**\*Hymn Medley of Praise**

*“Your Name”* (2)

Humbly to the earth You came, born into this world to save.  
God with us, Emmanuel, now we adore Your Name

*Your Name is a strong and mighty tower. Your Name is a shelter like no other.  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder,  
'cause nothing has the power to save but Your Name.*

Jesus, in Your Name we pray; come and fill our hearts today.  
Lord, give us strength to live for You and glorify Your Name.

*Your Name is Wonderful, Counselor. Your Name is Everlasting Father.  
Your Name ~ Mighty God and Prince of Peace,  
Nothing has the power to save but Your Name.*

God with us, Emmanuel. God with us, Emmanuel.  
God with us, Emmanuel. Now we adore Your Name.

*“All to Jesus, All the Glory”* (3)

Like a prisoner who wakes and his chains are gone,  
Like a dead man rescued from the grave,  
I'm delivered out of darkness into the light  
To sing my great Redeemer's praise.

*All to Jesus, our great Savior! All the glory! All the glory!  
Crown Him Lord and King forever! All the glory! All to Jesus!*

You alone could bear the weight of the sinner's cross  
And the curse of all my sin and shame.  
You alone would give Your life for a wretch like me.  
I live to glorify Your name!

What wondrous love is this to pay my ransom?  
How vast the mercy that would die for me?  
I come before You in complete abandon;  
Take my life and let it be; All to Jesus!

There is nothing I can bring that would be enough.  
I love You because You first loved me.  
I am longing for the day when I see Your face,  
And evermore my song will be:

**Children's Devotional**

**\*The Apostles' Creed for Children**

I believe God made the world, the sky, the stars, the animals, and all the people in the world.

I believe that God's Son, Jesus, came into the world from heaven. That's what we remember on Christmas. I believe Jesus died on the Cross for my sins, for all the wrong things I do. But three days after He died, He became alive again. And He went into heaven, and now He is sitting by His heavenly Father again. I believe that someday soon He is going to come back to the world and I will see Him.

I believe the Holy Spirit, Who is God, lives inside me when Jesus is my Savior. I believe that God loves the people in my church and that He wants me to love them too. I believe that God forgives me of all the wrong, sinful things I do, because Jesus died for me. But God doesn't want me to keep doing what is wrong and sinful. I believe that someday I will live with God forever in heaven in my brand-new body!

I love You, Jesus, because You first loved me.

**Hymn of Confession**

*“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”* (T193)

**Confession of Sin**

Heavenly Father, we humbly ask  
that you would grant us a very meaningful  
and Christ-honoring Advent season.  
We sadly confess we have done  
so little  
with so much.

Forgive us Lord,  
for not bending the knee,  
to your holy will in all things,  
for not reading the Book,  
to find our daily manna,  
for not searching our hearts,  
to root out our idols,  
for not facing our sins,  
with courage and confidence,  
at the foot of the Cross of Christ.

Deal with us, not according to our sins,  
but according to your tender mercies, O God!

Holy Spirit, grant us the most important gift of all,  
a fresh sense of your saving presence, and  
a renewed resolve to live,  
really and truly live,  
an abundant life of faith fully trusting You,  
a living faith working through love,  
in all things, at all times,  
toward all people,  
redeeming the time,  
to the praise of Christ's glory.  
Amen.

**Offertory Hymn**

*“Joy to the World* (with Zechariah's Song)” (C270)

Praise God who comes to Is-ra-el, His people He redeems.  
He raises up salvation from the house of servant David.  
Through mercy and His oath and His holy covenant,  
We can serve Him in righteousness for all our days.

And you my child will surely be a prophet of our God.  
For you will go before the Lord and will prepare a way for Him  
To teach salvation's way for forgiveness of our sin,  
Giving light to the dark and show the way of peace.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Prayer of Illumination**

Psalm 119:135

**Sermon**

Ruth 1:6-22

*“The Returning of Naomi and Ruth (B)”*

The Ruth Series

Rev. Cory D. Colravy

**\*Hymn of Response**

*“Amazing Grace”* (T460)

**\*Charge and Benediction**

II Thessalonians 3:16

**\*Hymn of Benediction**

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”* (C271, v.1)

**\*Postlude**

\*For those who are able, please stand at these times.

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AM Sermon Notes  
"The Returning of Naomi and Ruth (B)"  
The Ruth Series  
Ruth 1:6-22  
Rev. Cory D. Colravy

THIS WEEK, December 3 - 9, 2017

- Today**
  - Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.
  - Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall, 10:00 - 10:25 a.m.
  - Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday**
  - WIC Bible Study, Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday**
  - Praise Team Rehearsal, 5:15 p.m., Sanctuary
  - Advent Soup Supper, 5:30 p.m.
  - Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.
  - Kid's Quest, 6:30 p.m.
  - Adult Bible study, 6:30 p.m.

**Announcements**

- ◆ **In Our Nursery Today** Morning Worship ~ Emily Delmar, Izabella Sabo
- ◆ **Nursery Next Week:** Sunday School ~ Megan Colravy  
Morning Worship ~ Heather Steele, Claire Zechman

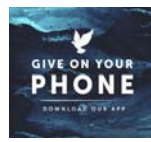
◆ **Budget Summary:**

Weekly Operational Budget Requirement	\$	5,550.00
Tithes/Offerings, November 26, 2017	\$	2,396.00
FYTD Tithes/Offerings Received	\$	89,156.94
FYTD Operational Budget Expenses	\$	98,424.41
Mortgage Balance	\$	189,590.87

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General Fund



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Designated Fund

**COVENANT FAMILY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:**

- Danella Tremblay, December 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Ellie Richards, December 4<sup>th</sup>
- Dawn Colravy, December 8<sup>th</sup>

**CPC On-Line Prayer Room**

View the on-going prayer requests on the church website:  
[www.covenantpca.net/community/prayer room](http://www.covenantpca.net/community/prayer room)

